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ONE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

Town of

EASTON

New Hampshire

Year ending December 31, 1990

This Town Report is dedicated to . . .

EASTON'S NEW FIRE DEPARTMENT

FIRE CHIEF
Lynn Tomasetti

ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEFS
Jim Cavanaugh
Jon Place

Charter Members

Richard Carignan
Tim Casey
Butch Casey
Ed Cutter
Bill Donovan
Kim Donovan
Joe Duggan
Chuck Herbert
Richard McLachlin
Gale Moody
Jim Moody
Floraine Place
Louis Sanborn
Robert C. Tipping
Robert W. Tipping
Mike Valcourt
John Wilcoxson
Robert Wutzdorff

The Town of Easton appreciates the effort of all volunteer members of its new Fire Department.

Town of Easton, New Hampshire

ANNUAL REPORT

of the Town Officers

Year Ended December 31, 1990

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TOWN OFFICERS

Board of Selectmen

LEE STRIMBECK	(Term expires 1991)
WALTER WOODS	(Term expires 1992)
JOSEPH PIMENTAL	(Term expires 1993)

Town Clerk
BARBARA COLLIER

Tax Collector
FONTELLE SILVER

Treasurer
BERNICE CUTTER

Auditor
RALPH BRIGIDA

Fire Superintendent
LYNN TOMASETTI

Chief of Police
EDWARD CUTTER

Moderator
STEPHEN NORTH (1992)

Librarian
VIRGINIA LEIGHTON

Supervisors of the Checklist

FONTELLE SILVER	(1990)
CAROLYN CHASE	(1992)
HELEN SOPER	(1994)

Recreation Committee

PATRICIA EVERY
DAVID MATTHEWS

Trustee of the Trust Funds
DORIS NEY

Lafayette School Board
LEE STRIMBECK

Library Trustees

MARGARET WHITCOMB	(1991)
CAROLYN CHASE	(1992)
EUNICE WOODS	(1993)

Cemetery Trustees

LEE STRIMBECK	(1991)
JOSEPH DUGGAN	(1992)
PARKER TOWLE	(1993)
Resigned (04/90)	
EUNICE WOODS	(1991) Appointed

Planning Board - Three Year Term

MARY ELLEN BARNES	(1991)
BILL KENNEY	(1993)
JEAN DUGGAN	Alternate
WALTER WOODS	(ex officio)
MIKE GARVIN	(1991)
LEON J. WHITE	(1992)
ED CUTTER	Alternate
CHRIS THOMA	Alternate

Board of Adjustment

DENNIS FORD	(1993)
ROBERT EVERY	(1992)
LEE STRIMBECK	(ex officio)
DONNA NORTH	(1991)
KAY GLOVER	(1993)
BARBARA COLLIER	Alternate

TOWN OF EASTON
TOWN MEETING WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Easton in the County of Grafton, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 12, 1991. Polls will be open from 3:00 to 6:00 PM for ballot voting on Articles 1-7. The Town's annual business meeting will follow at 7:30 PM.

To act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1. To choose all necessary officers for the ensuing year. *(Ballot Vote)*

To see if the Town will vote to approve or disapprove proposed amendments Articles 2 through 7 to the Town Zoning Ordinance as presented by the Planning Board on the official ballot. *(Ballot Vote)*

ARTICLE 2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Easton Zoning Ordinance as follows?

To add the following definition of AQUIFER (which is the same definition as in Section 604. Aquifer Protection District) to the Definitions Section: AQUIFER: for the purpose of this Ordinance, the aquifer is defined as the areas shown as having a "high potential to yield groundwater" on the U.S. Geological Survey Map, entitled "Availability of Groundwater in the Middle Connecticut River Basin, North-Central", by John E. Cotton, 1977.

ARTICLE 3. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Easton Zoning Ordinance as follows?

To add the following definition of FRONTAGE to the Definitions Section: FRONTAGE: that side of a lot bordering a street or private road right-of-way, and ordinarily regarded as the front of the lot. The private road, existing or proposed, must meet road requirements of the current Subdivision Regulations.

ARTICLE 4. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Easton Zoning Ordinance as follows?

To add the following definition of FRONT YARD to the Definitions Section: FRONT YARD: the distance between the front lot line and the nearest portion of a building. The depth of the front yard shall be measured from the street or approved private road right-of-way line to the building; where the width of the right-of-way is not or cannot be established, the right-of-way line shall be considered to be 25 feet from the center of the street.

ARTICLE 5. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Easton Zoning Ordinance as follows?

To amend the current definition of SETBACK, so that the new definition reads as follows: SETBACK: the required minimum distance between the front, side and rear lot or street lines and the closest point of a building or structure.

ARTICLE 6. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Easton Zoning Ordinance as follows?

To add the following definition of STEEP SLOPES (which is the same definition as in the Section 605. Steep Slopes Regulation District) to the Definitions Section: STEEP SLOPES: those areas with an average slope exceeding 25 percent, as delineated by the Soil Survey of the Town of Easton.

ARTICLE 7. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Easton Zoning Ordinance as follows?

To add the following definition of WETLANDS (which is the same definition as in Section 603. Wetland Conservation Regulation District) to the Definitions Section: WETLANDS: those areas which are delineated as poorly drained or very poorly drained soils by the Soil Survey of the Town of Easton.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $64,834.00 for general Town operations:

Town Officers' Salaries	$ 3,100.00
Town Officers' Expenses	4,800.00
Election & Registration Expenses	700.00
Cemeteries	2,000.00
Town Buildings	2,600.00
Reappraisal of Property	500.00
Planning and Zoning	600.00
Legal Expenses	1,000.00
Regional Associations	2,700.00
Tax Map Update	500.00
Library	500.00
General Assistance	600.00
Contingency Fund	2,500.00
Police Department	3,370.00
Fire Department	10,000.00
Highway Expenses	13,000.00
Conservation Commission	400.00
Solid Waste Disposal	11,162.00
Insurance	1,200.00
Debt Service	1,762.00
N.H. Forest Fire Training	100.00
Interest Expense - bond	1,740.00
TOTAL	$64,834.00

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,000.00 for Highway Oil Emulsion projects.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,000.00 toward the paving of the parking area around the Town Hall.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $457.50 for Regional Associations in accordance with the following schedule:

North Country Council, Inc.	$232.50
Tri-County Community Action	225.00

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for the Easton-Franconia-Sugar Hill Chamber of Commerce.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,815.25 for Regional Health Care Agencies in accordance with the following schedule:

Franconia FAST Squad	$300.00
Ross Ambulance Service	551.25
White Mt. Mental Health	197.00
North Country Home Health	336.00
Grafton County Senior Citizens	181.00
Littleton Hospital	250.00

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,507.00 for operational expenses of the Franconia Recreational Program.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $900.00 to repair the Vital Statistic Book of the Town of Easton from the years 1876 to 1898.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,300.00 to asphalt approximately 3529 square feet of the fire house driveway.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500.00 for plantings about the Town Commons.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money for defraying Town expenses in anticipation of tax revenue, if necessary.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to apply for, receive and expend, without further action, any grants or gifts which may become available during the year as set forth in the provisions of RSA 31:95-b.

ARTICLE 20. To act upon any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Walter Woods
Lee Strimbeck
Joseph Pimental

Selectmen of Easton

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The recent accelerated growth rate in Easton from 158 residents in 1985 to 234 in 1990 further justified the need for the Town's modest Capital Improvement Program (CIP) authorized in 1988 as well as adjustments to the Town's zoning regulations. Projects completed in 1990 included the preparation and start-up of Easton's new fire department (see Fire Chief's report), a new water system for the Town Hall and Fire Station, and a new burner for the Town Hall.

It was a very busy year for the selectmen as well as others involved in the completed projects. Substantial efforts went into the planning and preparation for the new fire station.

The Town greatly appreciates Bob Tipping's generous donation of the second fire truck and equipment. We also appreciate the help of Kate Kerivan, a professional landscaper who assisted in the initial landscaping plan. A complete title search and survey was required with legal verification to satisfy loan financing requirements.

We applaud the performance of the fire department personnel. It was outstanding from the initial project justification completed in 1989 to the final ribbon cutting and start-up in October of 1990.

The Bethlehem Cable TV Co. which had contracted to supply Cable TV service to certain Easton residences have notified us that they cannot get adequate financing to continue with the project. We will now explore other Cable TV services that may be interested in bringing Cable TV to Easton.

The emergency dispatching number to be used by Easton, Sugar Hill and Franconia will be changed during the year from 823-8123 to 9-1-1. Advance notification will be made. Also the new Tri-Town dispatch map with a new coordinating house numbering system will be started in 1991. Home occupants will have a new rural delivery address in accordance with this program.

We have been advised by several home insurance carriers that when Easton's fire zone changes from 10 to 9 in most areas of Easton (as a result of the new fire department) their fire insurance rates will be reduced. The zone changes should be completed in the spring of 1991.

We are sorry that four of Easton's long term officers will not continue after the 1991 Town meeting. They are Virginia Leighton, who has served as librarian for 27 years, Bernice Cutter who has served as the Town treasurer since 1984, Mary Ellen Barnes who has served on the Planning Board since 1982, and lastly, Margaret Whitcomb, who has served faithfully since 1948 as a Library Trustee. They will be missed. We also take this opportunity to thank all volunteer board members and friends of Easton for their contributions during the year.

Walter Woods
Joseph Pimental
Lee Strimbeck
Selectmen of Easton

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the reports and accounts from the Board of Selectmen, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Trustees of the Trust Funds, Cemetery Committee, Library Trustees, Conservation Commission and the Fire Department of the Town of Easton for the year ended December 31, 1990. My examination was made in accordance with the New Hampshire code of Administration Rules Rev. 505.01 through 505.09 and generally accepted auditing standards as I deemed necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, these reports and accounts present fairly the financial position and results of operations of the Town of Easton for the year ended December 31, 1990.

Ralph Brigida, Auditor
February 12, 1991

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Checking Account - Treasurer	$ 93,267.00
Checking Account - Library	147.04
Checking Account - Cemetery	135.77
Checking Account - Conservation Commission	127.20
Checking Account - Fire Department	6,930.64
Uncollected Property Taxes Levy of 1990	18,506.00
Uncollected Resident Taxes Levy of 1990	90.00
Library Fund	600.00
Cemetery Fund	5,767.70
Conservation Fund	222.52
Total Assets	$125,793.87

LIABILITIES

School Taxes Payable	$ 83,833.00
Library Fund	600.00
Cemetery Fund	5,767.70
Conservation Fund	222.52
Security Bond for Logging	805.00
Property Tax Overpayment	30.00
Article 8, Emulsion Seal Roads, 1990 Unexpended	2,183.65
Article 12, Oil Burner Repair, 1990 Unexpended	150.00
Article 13, Town Hall Water System, 1990 Unexpended	2,327.46
Article 14, Franconia Recreation Program, 1990 Unexpended	458.77
Total Liabilities	$ 96,378.10
Excess of Assets Over Liabilities - Surplus	$ 29,415.77

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF EASTON - REVENUE

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated 1990	Actual 1990	Estimated 1991
Taxes:			
Resident Taxes	$ 1,480.00	$ 1,470.00	$ 1,480.00
Yield Tax Bond	-0-	805.00	-0-
Yield Tax	300.00	521.00	8,000.00
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	-0-	785.00	1,000.00
Intergovernmental Revenues-State:			
Shared Revenue-Block Grant	2,000.00	1,798.00	1,000.00
Highway Block Grant	3,000.00	3,943.00	3,000.00
NH Forest Fire Training	-0-	34.00	-0-
Intergovernmental Revenues-Federal:			
National Forest	6,000.00	18,997.00	9,000.00
US Entitlement	1,200.00	1,616.00	1,200.00
Licenses and Permits:			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees & Titles	22,000.00	23,904.00	23,000.00
Dog Licenses & Penalties	200.00	280.00	200.00
Business Licenses, Permits, Filing Fees and Transfer Station Permits	150.00	326.00	100.00
Charges for Services:			
Income from Departments			
Planning & Zoning	100.00	121.00	70.00
Copies of Reports	-0-	30.00	-0-
Money from Copies	-0-	37.00	20.00
Miscellaneous Revenues:			
Interest on Deposits	2,000.00	2,736.00	1,000.00
NHMA Prop-Liab Dividend	-0-	165.00	-0-
Petty Cash & Histories	25.00	58.00	25.00
Workers Comp Dividend	-0-	143.00	-0-
Recreation Overpayment	-0-	732.00	-0-
Miscellaneous	-0-	263.00	-0-
Map of Easton	-0-	12.00	-0-
Donations	-0-	1,100.00	-0-
Other Financing Sources:			
Proceeds of Bonds & Long-Term Notes	62,500.00	45,000.00	-0-
Withdrawals from Capital Reserve Fire Protection Fund	27,914.00	22,125.00	-0-
Income from Trust Funds & Cemetery	500.00	1,500.00	500.00
Fund Balance	24,099.00	29,416.00	29,416.00
Total Revenues and Credits	$153,468.00	$157,917.00	$79,011.00

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF EASTON - EXPENDITURES

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	Estimated 1990	Actual 1990	Estimated 1991
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salary	$ 2,600.00	$ 2,600.00	$ 3,100.00
Town Officers' Expenses	3,100.00	4,981.00	4,800.00
Election & Registration Expenses	1,200.00	1,452.00	700.00
Cemeteries	900.00	650.00	2,000.00
General Government Buildings	3,200.00	2,649.00	2,600.00
Reappraisal of Property	500.00	475.00	500.00
Planning and Zoning	700.00	613.00	600.00
Legal Expenses	1,000.00	4,097.00	1,000.00
Regional Associations	800.00	2,709.00	2,700.00
Contingency Fund	2,500.00	-0-	2,500.00
Tax Map Update	500.00	1,096.00	500.00
Article-Regional Associations			
North Country Council & Tri-Co.	452.00	452.00	458.00
Article - Chamber of Commerce	1,000.00	1,000.00	500.00
Public Safety:			
Police Department	4,050.00	2,971.00	3,370.00
Fire Department	-0-	2,740.00	10,000.00
Fire Contracts	13,650.00	7,482.00	-0-
NH Forest Fire Training	-0-	219.00	100.00
Building Inspection	500.00	-0-	-0-
Highways, Streets, & Bridges:			
Town Maintenance	15,000.00	11,900.00	13,000.00
Article-Oil Emulsion	5,000.00	2,816.00	3,000.00
Article-Town Hall Paving	-0-	-0-	3,000.00
Article-Fire Department Paving	-0-	-0-	5,300.00
Sanitation:			
Solid Waste Disposal	7,875.00	6,512.00	11,162.00
Health:			
Hospitals & Ambulances	1,507.00	1,507.00	1,815.00
Welfare:			
General Assistance	250.00	-0-	600.00
Culture and Recreation:			
Library	400.00	400.00	500.00
Parks & Recreation - Article	2,188.00	1,729.00	1,507.00
Conservation Commission	200.00	425.00	400.00

Debt Service:			
Interest Expense-Long-Term Bonds & Notes	4,000.00	-0-	1,740.00
Interest Expense-Other Temporary Loans	-0-	266.00	1,762.00
Capital Outlay:			
Fire Department	90,200.00	89,873.00	-0-
Miscellaneous:			
Oil Burner	1,000.00	850.00	-0-
T. Hall Water System	4,500.00	2,173.00	-0-
Insurance	2,500.00	1,085.00	1,200.00
Tax Overpayment	-0-	66.00	-0-
Bank Charges	-0-	97.00	-0-
Stale Dated Check	-0-	(29.00)	-0-
Article-Plantings	-0-	-0-	1,500.00
Article-Binding Vital Stat Book	-0-	-0-	900.00
Total Appropriations	$171,272.00	$155,856.00	$82,814.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive of Taxes			$79,011.00
Amount of Taxes to be Raised (Exclusive of School and County Taxes)			$3,803.00

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall		
Land	$ 30,100.00	
Building	118,550.00	
Fire Station	45,000.00	
Total 1990 Assessment		$193,650.00
Furniture and Equipment		3,300.00
Library - Furniture and Equipment		2,200.00
Police Department - Equipment		1,200.00
Fire Department - Equipment		17,000.00
Trucks		16,500.00
Total		$233,850.00

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF ASSESSED VALUATION

Land	$13,290,977.00
Buildings	11,996,400.00
Electric Utilities	537,554.00
Net Valuation Upon Which Tax Rate Is Computed	$25,824,931.00
Increase in Net Valuation over 1989	$ 977,203.00

	1990 Tax Rate	%	1989 Tax Rate	%
TOWN	$1.01	13.63	$ .37	6.51
COUNTY	1.08	14.57	1.22	21.48
SCHOOL	5.32	71.80	4.09	72.01
TOTAL	$7.41/1000	100.00%	$5.68/1000	100.00%

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Motor Vehicle Registrations	$23,819.00
Titles	85.00
Dogs	255.50
Penalties	24.00
Filings	6.00
Transfer Station Stickers	182.00
Petty Cash	25.00
Total Receipts	$24,396.50

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Collier
Town Clerk

Office Hours

Tuesday Morning
10AM - 12 Noon

Thursday Afternoon
4PM - 6PM

or

By Appointment

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

Total Town Appropriation	$171,272.00
Less Revenue and Credits	150,265.00
Net Town Appropriation	$ 21,007.00
Net School Tax	137,833.00
Net County Tax	27,966.00
Total Town - School - County	$186,806.00
Less Business Profits Tax Reimbursement	1,174.00
Add War Service Credits	1,200.00
Add Overlay	3,948.00
Property Tax To Be Raised	$190,780.00
Less War Service Credits	1,200.00
Total Tax Commitment	$189,580.00

TAX COLLECTOR - SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

Levies of 1990 & Prior - Property & Resident Taxes

DEBITS

	Levies of: 1990	Prior
Uncollected Taxes - Beginning of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	$	$8,889.00
Resident Taxes		30.00
Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	190,061.00	
Resident Taxes	1,510.00	
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes		
Resident Taxes	120.00	
Overpayments:		
a/c Property Taxes	96.00	
Fractions		
Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes	142.47	457.42
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	9.00	3.00
TOTAL DEBITS	$191,938.47	$9,379.42

CREDITS

	Levies of: 1990	Prior
Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	$171,651.00	$8,889.00
Resident Taxes	1,440.00	30.00
Costs on Taxes		66.00
Interest on Taxes	142.47	391.42
Penalties on Resident Tax	9.00	3.00
Abatements Allowed:		
Property Taxes		
Resident Taxes	100.00	
Uncollected Taxes End of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	18,506.00	
Resident Taxes	90.00	
TOTAL CREDITS	$191,938.47	$9,379.42

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Summary of Tax Sales/Tax Lien Accounts

DEBITS

	1989
Taxes Sold/Executed to Town During Fiscal Year	$126.89
Interest Collected After Sale/Lien Execution	19.59
Redemption Cost	28.00
Total Debits	$174.48

CREDITS

Remittance to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:	
Redemptions	$126.89
Interest & Cost After Sale	47.59
Total Credits	$174.48

1990 PROPERTY TAXES AND INTEREST DUE

12/31/90

	TAXES	INTEREST
Anelauskas, Anthony & Mary	$ 31.00	$
Anelauskas, Anthony & Mary	112.00	
Berven & DeSimone	398.00	
Bilodeau, Raymond & Linda	417.00	
Bontempi, Robert & Patricia	789.00	18.22
Callender, Martha M.	113.00	
Callender, Martha M.	79.00	
Cameron, Cabot J.	451.00	
Carignan, Richard & Theresa	539.00	12.45
Casey, Charles & Barbara	57.00	
*Clark, James W.	379.00	
Cushing, Christopher & Margaret	273.00	
Donovan, William & Kimberly	100.00	
Every, Robert & Patricia	30.00	
*Farhi, Jacques-Jane-Pamela	130.00	
*Farhi, Jacques-Jane-Pamela	92.00	
Farrell, Colette A.	88.00	
Foss, Sara C.	555.00	
Glover, II, Robert & Katherine	677.00	
Hankins, Jr., Leslie	120.00	
Harwood, Gary & Beth	306.00	
Holzman, Louise & Donald	12.00	
Holzman, Robert & Madeline	112.00	
Holzman, Robert & Madeline	31.00	
*Hopp, Marion	451.00	11.55
Hunt, James & Sheila	907.00	20.93

Johnson, Richard & Linda	266.00	
*Kelleher, James & Denise	88.00	
Kendall, Frederick	427.00	9.86
King, Chet & Ruth	661.00	15.28
Locke, Priscilla P.	102.00	
Locke, Priscilla P.	522.00	
Malpeso, Charlotte	597.00	13.77
Matta, Edmund J.	161.00	
*McKenzie, Constance D.	425.00	
McKenzie, Constance D.	400.00	
Moquin, Richard	135.00	
Peckett, Grayden	457.00	10.52
Peckett, Grayden	364.00	8.42
Petraca, Ralph A. & Barbara A.	184.00	
Place, Vincent & Shirley	699.00	17.80
*Portinari, Jr., Joseph	133.00	
*Portinari, Jr., Joseph	317.00	
*Rader, Glenn & Katherine	910.00	20.99
*Ruch, Jacques G.	1,093.00	
Shepard, David & Alice	1,014.00	23.40
Shepard, David & Alice	206.00	4.75
Sherburn, Stanley & Lorie	498.00	11.49
Sherburn, Stanley & Lorie	791.00	18.28
Treuman, Laura	358.00	
Valentin, Jr., Julien	288.00	
*Varieur, Wilfred R. & Karen M.	9.00	
*Varieur, Wilfred R. & Karen M.	5.00	
Winter, Richard	147.00	
Totals	$18,506.00	$217.71

1990 Resident Taxes Due 12/31/90

		Penalty
Kenney, David	$10.00	$1.00
Kenney, Michelle	10.00	1.00
McKenzie, Constance	10.00	1.00
McKenzie, Joel	10.00	1.00
Moody, Gail	10.00	1.00
Moody, James	10.00	1.00
Schibanoff, Susan	10.00	1.00
Sherburn, Lorie	10.00	1.00
Sherburn, Stanley	10.00	1.00
Totals	$90.00	$9.00

*Taxes paid after 12/31/90

Respectfully submitted,

Fontelle A. Silver
Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bank Balance - January 1, 1990	$ 76,231.77

RECEIPTS

Tax Collector	182,796.37
Town Clerk	24,396.50
Selectmen	190.55
Police Department	148.00
Cemetery Committee	1,500.00
State of New Hampshire	5,774.37
National Forest	18,996.55
Planning, Zoning & Subdivision	120.80
Timber Tax	521.41
Security Bond for Logging	805.00
Town of Franconia - 1989 Rec. Overpayment	731.50
NHM Workers Compensation Dividend	143.30
NHMA Insurance Dividend	165.34
Donations to Easton Fire Department	1,000.00
Capital Reserve Funds	22,125.23
Federal Entitlement Lands	1,616.00
Loan Proceeds for Fire Department	45,000.00
Miscellaneous	274.51
Interest on Checking Accounts	2,735.50
Total Receipts	309,040.93
Total 1990 Selectmen Orders	292,005.70
Bank Balance - December 31, 1990	$ 93,267.00

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

From Tax Collector:	
Property Taxes, 1989 Levy	$ 8,889.00
Property Tax Interest, 1989 Levy	391.42
Property Tax Costs, 1989 Levy	66.00
Resident Tax, 1989 Levy	30.00
Resident Tax Penalties, 1989 Levy	3.00
Property Tax Lien Redeemed, 1989 Levy	174.48
Property Taxes, 1990	171,651.00
Property Tax Interest, 1990	142.47
Resident Tax, 1990	1,440.00
Resident Tax Penalties, 1990	9.00
Total	182,796.37
From Town Clerk:	
Motor Vehicle Permits	23,819.00
Motor Vehicle Titles	85.00
Dog Licenses (50)	255.50
Dog Penalties	24.00
Filing Fees	6.00
Petty Cash	25.00
Transfer Station Permits	182.00
Total	24,396.50
From Selectmen:	
Building Permits	120.00
Town Histories	28.00
Town Reports	5.10
Money from Copies	37.45
Total	190.55
From Police Department:	
Pistol Permits	18.00
Concord Group Insurance-Copy of Police Report	10.00
Merchants Insurance Group-Copy of Accident Report	10.00
Metropolitan-Copy of Incident Report	10.00
Donation	100.00
Total	148.00
From Cemetery:	1,500.00
From State of New Hampshire:	
Highway Block Grant Aid	3,943.29
Revenue Sharing Distribution	1,797.51
National Forest	18,996.55
Fire Warden Training	33.57
Total	24,770.92

Planning & Zoning, Subdivision:	
R.C. & S.B. Reinhold (Sub-division & Ordinance)	5.00
William Smith (Sub-division & Ordinance)	5.00
David Shepard (Sub-division & Ordinance)	5.00
Margaret Kenny-Planning Board (Advertising)	64.40
Zoning Board Adjustment-Hearing Invoice Advertising & Postage	41.40
Total	120.80
Timber Tax:	
Margaret Kenny	326.54
Lee Strimbeck	34.40
William Nicholson	68.50
Elizabeth Buxton	91.97
Total	521.41
Raymond Leveille-Security Bond-Logging	805.00
Bethlehem T.V. Cable - Map of Easton	11.50
Town of Franconia Refund of 1989 Overpayment-Recreation Department	731.50
N.H. Municipal Workers Compensation Dividends & Interest	143.30
N.H.M.A. Property-Liability Insurance Dividends	165.34
Easton Fire Department:	
Kinsman Valley Club-Contribution	500.00
Ammonoosuc Association-Donation	500.00
Total	1,000.00
Fire Protection Capital Reserve Fund	22,125.23
Federal Entitlement Lands	1,616.00
Peoples National Bank Loan Proceeds	45,000.00
Miscellaneous:	263.01
Interest from General Fund:	
Fleet Bank	1,964.32
Peoples National Bank	771.18
Total	2,735.50
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$309,040.93

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries:	
Walter Woods	$ 500.00
Lee Strimbeck	400.00
Joseph Pimental	333.34
Fontelle Silver	500.00
Barbara Collier	275.00
Bernice Cutter	275.00
Ralph Brigida	150.00
Stephen North	100.00
Fred Moody	66.66
Total	2,600.00
Town Officers' Expenses:	
Selectmen & Secretary	
Business Products N.H. Copy Machine	900.00
Claudia Brown - Review of Trust Funds	260.00
Postage, Town Reports	95.55
Profile Press, Stamp	14.30
Harrison Publishing - Envelopes & Letterhead	268.20
Lee Strimbeck, Postage, Telephone, Misc.	26.30
Cartographic Associates - deed & land survey	1,096.47
Thomas Walker - Map Work	474.88
BJ's Wordshop - Selectmen & Secretary	1,541.66
Total	4,677.36
Town Clerk: Barbara Collier	
Littleton Office Supplies	38.90
Wheeler & Clark	44.81
Gagne's Legal Stationery	40.89
Loring, Short & Harmon	185.00
State of NH Dog License Tags	26.50
Office Register of Deeds	43.75
Motor Vehicles	483.00
Titles	99.00
Dog Fees	29.50
UCC's	10.25
Meeting, Registration Mileage	59.00
Postage	24.80
Petty Cash	25.00
Total	1,110.40

Town Tax Collector: Fontelle Silver	
Loring, Short & Harmon	21.60
Harrison Publishing House, Inc.	112.50
Delinquent Tax Lien	126.89
Postage	156.60
Use of Fax Machine	10.00
Total	427.59
Town Treasurer: Bernice Cutter	
Littleton Office Supply	15.58
Safeguard Business System	268.03
Postage & Stamp Pad	52.90
Total	336.51
Election & Registration:	
Harrison Publishing House, Inc.	695.00
Town of Franconia - Advertising	62.99
William Nicholson	22.00
Pat Every	54.00
Bernice Cutter	77.00
Carol Hutton	40.00
Ruth King	36.00
Barbara Collier	40.00
Fontelle Silver	265.35
Donna North	15.00
Rosemary Hall	15.00
Carolyn Chase	75.00
Helen Soper	55.00
Total	1,452.34
Town Hall Expenses:	
Harris Energy	1,142.46
Public Service of New Hampshire	289.14
New England Telephone	332.64
J. Cavanaugh & Son	405.00
J.C. Plumbing & Heating	56.20
Joseph Pimental	26.23
Franconia Gas Corp.	218.44
Edward Cutter	85.00
Franconia Hardware	8.78
Russell Towne - Photo for Town Hall	40.00
Connie Cheseborough - Piano Tuning	45.00
Total	2,648.89

Police:	
Edward Cutter	2,611.70
Motorola Inc. - Install radio	157.50
Frederick Erb, D.V.M.	60.00
Franconia ½ - 8123 Phone	141.44
Total	2,970.64
NH Forest Fire Training:	
Walter Woods	27.27
Bill Kenney	24.15
Lynn Tomasetti	30.91
Edward Cutter	35.02
Ossipee Mountain Electronics - Repair Radio	102.00
Total	219.35
Insurance:	
Hunkins & Eaton Agency Insurance	283.00
N.H. Municipal Workers Compensation Fund	802.00
Total	1,085.00
Upper Grafton Solid Waste	6,512.21
Road Maintenance:	
Summer:	
Bob Peckett & Sons	3,464.00
Carroll Wright	495.00
Arthur Whitcomb	206.26
Total	4,165.26
Winter:	
Arthur Whitcomb	81.65
Bob Peckett & Son	6,993.00
AKZO Salt, Inc.	659.83
Total	7,734.48
Library	400.00
Cemetery	650.00
Conservation Commission	425.00
*Tax Overpayment	66.00

Planning & Zoning:	
Ink Spot 400 Questions	44.75
Advertising	177.50
Sherwin Dodge	147.00
Mary Ellen Barnes	170.00
Town Master Plan	31.50
Public Hearing	42.00
Total	612.75
Regional Associations:	
NH Municipal Association Annual Membership Dues 1990	400.00
NH Association Conservation Committee Dues 1990	75.00
NH Tax Collector Association Dues 1990	15.00
NH City & Town Clerk's Association Dues 1990	12.00
NH Municipal Association Renewal Contributions	2,187.00
NH Association of Assessing Officials Dues	20.00
Total	2,709.00
Legal Expenses:	
Moulton Law Firm re: Fire Dept. Project	2,796.50
Moulton Law Firm re: Shephard Cooley	1,300.80
Total	4,097.30
Article 8 - NH Bituminous Company	2,816.35
Article 9 - Community Action Outreach Program	200.00
North Country Council	251.68
Total	451.68
Article 10 - Easton, Franconia-Sugar Hill Chamber of Commerce	1,000.00
Article 11 - Regional Health Care Agencies	
Franconia Fast Squad	300.00
Ross Ambulance	525.00
White Mountain Mental Health	197.00
North Country Home Health	304.00
Grafton County Senior Citizens	181.00
Total	1,507.00
Article 12 - Town Hall Oil Burner	850.00
Article 13 - Town Hall Water System	2,172.54
Article 14 - Franconia Recreational Program	1,729.23

Twin State Mutual Aid Fire Assoc.	
1989, 1990 Twin State Mutual Aid Fire Assoc.	2,000.00
Fire School Reg. Fee	91.00
Total	2,091.00
Article 5 - Easton Fire Department	
Loan Interest	265.77
Transfer Funds to Fire Department	12,400.00
NH Municipal Assoc. Fire Department Insurance	1,038.00
Total	13,703.77
Article 5 - Easton Fire Department Building	
Ken's Locksmithery	205.00
Fire Department Committee - Postage for public hearing	25.00
Fire Station Design-Architect-Robert Laurence	979.00
Glover Associates, Inc. - Fire Station Contract	37,572.25
Millwood Forestry Co. - Fire Station Clearing	893.75
E-Z Steel & Fabrication - Fire Station Construction	290.09
Bob Peckett & Sons - Site Work & Landscaping	17,601.09
Total	57,566.18
Article 5 - Fire Department Equipment - Fire Truck	13,000.00
Miscellaneous Equipment Purchased	5,906.70
Total	18,906.70
Article 5 - Fire Department Expenses	
Open House	152.40
Lynn Tomasetti Expenses	440.83
Misc. Supplies & Fuel	609.51
Training Schools	101.00
Harris Energy	265.97
P.S.N.H.	58.48
Sherwin Dodge	73.50
Total	1,701.69
Transfer Donations Received to Fire Department	1,000.00
Fire Protection Contract:	
Franconia	2,625.00
Sugar Hill	2,625.00
8123 Emergency Phone ½	141.44
Total	5,391.44

Lafayette School	44,039.00
Profile School	64,145.00
Total	108,184.00
Grafton County	
A.F. Stiegler, III, Grafton County Treasurer	
County Tax 1990	27,966.00
Bank Charges and Overdraft Notices	97.04
1989 Disbursement - Stale dated check	(29.00)
Total Expenses	$292,005.70

CEMETERY TRUSTEES' REPORT

There were four burials during the year 1990.

Twenty-one (21) grave sites were purchased in 1990.

The Trustees of Kinsman Cemetery voted to increase the cost of a standard grave ste (5′ x 10′) from $25.00 to $50.00.

Parker Towle resigned and Eunice Woods was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Cemetery Clean-up Day was held on May 12, 1990. The Committee thanks those who volunteered their time.

Balance on hand - January 1, 1990	$ 110.77
RECEIPTS	
Receipts from Town	650.00
Receipts from Trustees of Trust Fund	814.55
Grave Site Preparation	25.00
Receipts from Lots Purchased	850.00
Endowments - Perpetual Care	500.00
Total Receipts	$2,839.55
DISBURSEMENTS	
James Cavanaugh, caretaking	$800.03
Miscellaneous	14.52
Transfers to Town (Lots Purchased)	850.00
Transfers to Trustees of Trust Fund	500.00
Transfers to Town (Surplus)	650.00
Total Expenses	$2,814.55
Balance on Hand - December 31, 1990	$135.77

Joseph R. Duggan
Lee Strimbeck
Eunice Woods

Trustees of Kinsman Cemetery

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS for the Year Ending December 31,1990

Cemetery Reserve Funds

		PRINCIPAL				INCOME				
Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	Balance Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	With-drawals	Balance End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Total Prin. & Inc. End of Year
1916	R.W. Young	$ 100.00	$	$	$ 100.00	$ 28.39	$ 10.95	$ 22.16	$ 17.18	$ 117.18
1922	P. Kinsman & B. Edwards	100.00			100.00	31.43	12.12	24.52	19.03	119.03
1937	Orin G. Bowles	200.00			200.00	161.90	62.39	126.26	98.03	298.03
1947	Arthur Pease	114.00			114.00	59.08	22.78	46.10	35.76	149.76
1949 & 79	Charles A. Young	300.00			300.00	86.46	33.33	67.44	52.35	352.35
1959	Florence Pease	200.00			200.00	123.81	47.70	96.52	74.99	274.99
1966 & 85	Whitcomb, Tabbutt	600.00			600.00	71.58	27.57	55.80	43.35	643.35
1970	Edson & Harriet Bailey	100.00			100.00	7.83	3.02	6.12	4.73	104.73
1970	Leighton & Doolan	71.25			71.25	29.43	11.35	22.97	17.81	89.06
1971	M. H. & Idamae Bowles	100.00			100.00	32.25	12.44	25.17	19.52	119.52
1971 & 89	Wm. & Alice G. Muser	200.00			200.00	38.82	14.97	30.30	23.49	223.49
1973	Russell & Iva Stevens	50.00			50.00	6.37	2.46	4.97	3.86	53.86
1973	John W. & Carrie N. Leigher	100.00			100.00	14.59	5.64	11.40	8.83	108.83
1973	L. Gerald Paine	750.00			750.00	184.93	71.29	144.26	111.96	861.96
1974	Everett W. Bailey	100.00			100.00	9.49	3.66	7.41	5.74	105.74
1975	Howard Bonor	100.00			100.00	16.99	6.56	13.28	10.27	110.27
1979	Wm. J. & Lillian Bailey	200.00			200.00	13.80	5.31	10.75	8.36	208.36
1979	Merton Edney	100.00			100.00	14.56	5.60	11.32	8.84	108.84
1979	Clayton & Sadie Glover	200.00			200.00	39.08	15.05	30.46	23.67	223.67
1980	Margaret Wolff	100.00			100.00	16.91	6.52	13.20	10.23	110.23
1984	Heinz & Helene Schultz	300.00			300.00	20.09	7.73	15.64	12.18	312.18
1985	Wm. A. & Carol Bailey	200.00			200.00	13.15	5.07	10.26	7.96	207.96
1985	Stuart or Uncha Bowles	48.00	2.00*		50.00	4.13	1.62	3.26	2.49	52.49
1988	Stewart & David Bowles	200.00			200.00	13.13	5.07	10.26	7.94	207.94
1988	Beulah Bowles	100.00			100.00	6.27	2.33	4.72	3.88	103.88
1990	John S. Noga		100.00		100.00					100.00
1990	Edward A. Hutton		100.00		100.00					100.00
1990	Gertrude Schulmann		200.00		200.00					200.00
1990	Asa P. Ruskin		100.00		100.00					100.00
	TOTALS	$4,633.25	$502.00	-0-	$5,135.25	$1,044.47	$402.53	$814.55	$632.45	$5,767.70

All trusts are invested at the Dartmouth Bank.
* This amount represents bank service charge credited back in 1990.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS for the Year Ending December 31,1990

Capital Reserve Funds

		PRINCIPAL				INCOME				
Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	Balance Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	With-drawals	Balance End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Total Prin. & Inc. End of Year
1985-88	Fire Protection Contin. Fund	$14,000.00	$	$14,000.00	$ 0.00	$1,886.41	$732.06	$2,618.47	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
1989	Fire Protection Contin. Fund	5,000.00		5,000.00	0.00	269.88	236.88	506.76	0.00	0.00
	TOTALS	$19,000.00	-0-	$19,000.00	-0-	$2,156.29	$968.94	$3,125.23	-0-	-0-

All trusts are invested at the Dartmouth Bank
Capital Reserve Funds turned over to Town of Easton for creation of new Fire Department

REPORT OF EASTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

ACCIDENTS:

1990 brought fewer accidents than the last few years. Only on 4 accidents did this Department have to file reports on and there were no personal injuries. Four deer were killed in Easton with very little car damage.

BREAK-INS:

There were 8 reported to this department. Most of the damage was vandalism. In most cases the door was kicked in but nothing was taken. The owner was then stuck with the repairs. A car fire was connected to entries into two Bed & Breakfast establishments where money was taken. State Police arrested the culprits and recovered some of the stolen money.

DOGS:

Several local dogs were killed along the road this year. We were able to replace one with a stray that nobody claimed.

DON'T FORGET
LICENSES ARE DUE BY MIDNITE APRIL 30TH. A FIFTEEN (15) DOLLAR FINE IS DUE IF NOT REGISTERED BY JUNE FIRST.

In 1990, there were 227 calls for assistance, information or concerns from residents of Easton or other Police Agencies.

We wish to thank the State Police, the Sheriff's Department, Franconia and Sugar Hill Police Departments for their assistance when it was needed.

This Department also thanks the Selectmen for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward P. Cutter
Chief

REPORT OF THE EASTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Easton Fire Department was approved by the Town on March 13, 1990 and officially went on-line on October 1, 1990. A lot of hard work and many generous contributions in that 6-½ month period helped make the department a physical reality.

Eleven members were present at the first organizational meeting held on May 2. Membership has since grown to 22 members, including three Franconia residents, a Littleton resident and a resident of Benton.

The acquisition of equipment began in April, with a fire truck at the top of the list. Several trucks were inspected and we finally negotiated to purchase a 1969 Ford from Boscawen. The search for a long list of other necessary equipment is still going on. Donations have been sought when possible and many other fire departments have been generous and cooperative in helping us to become established. The Kinsman Valley Ladies Club and the Forest Fire Wardens Association generously donated funds to assist us in purchasing needed equipment.

Many members have fire fighting experience and have patiently worked to train those with little or no experience. Three members attended a week-end training session in May that was held by the Interstate Fire Service Training Program. They brought back valuable information to share with the rest of the department. Once the truck arrived at the end of June, meetings were held every week so that training could take place.

As construction on the station began, we spent the month of July familiarizing ourselves with the truck and its equipment. Members practiced priming, pumping water, handling hose and driving the truck. Turnout was exceptional and everyone received hands-on experience.

In August, we took the truck and attended a pumping exercise in North Woodstock, working with other departments for the first time. We also attended a controlled burn in Littleton for additional training.

Work on the station progressed on schedule and it was officially turned over to us on September 12th. Shelves, cabinets and coat racks were built and we moved in with the truck and the equipment that we had acquired. Training continued in the form of mock situations and how to approach them. Members in full equipment attacked kitchen fires and chimney fires at the Town Hall.

The first and only fire in Easton this year occurred shortly before midnight on September 30th. We were not officially on-line until midnight, but several members responded to the car fire on RRte. 112. Later in the month we responded to another car fire in Bath that was originally thought to be in Easton. Members also extinguished a truck fire in Franconia and had things under control before the Franconia units arrived.

On October 6th a large crowd gathered at the new station to greet the arrival of Easton Engine #2. Through the incredible generosity of Bob Tipping of Mamaroneck, NY and Benton, NH, we acquired a second engine, something that would not have been possible for many years. This truck was fully equipped and lettered and was accompanied by another truck load of donated equipment. Our deepest thanks go to Bob and his family.

An Open House was held on October 13th. Residents and members of other fire departments who assisted us were invited to visit the station and help us celebrate all that had been accomplished.

Twin State Mutual Aid has inspected the station and equipment with a favorable outcome. We have also been inspected by the insurance company's rating service and our town classification will change from 10 to 9. This will help reduce insurance premiums on your home and property.

We will continue to work on acquiring and updating equipment, and the training of members will be an on-going practice. We will be holding fund raisers throughout the year to raise money for department needs. Your support will be greatly appreciated. We want to keep the budget as low as possible without sacrificing service.

This is your fire department. If you have any questions or advice, please feel free to contact me. And, as dedicated and hard working as our members are, we could always use a few more hands.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Tomasetti
Fire Chief

FIRE DEPARTMENT - 1990

Beginning Balance - January 1, 1990	$ -0-
RECEIPTS	
Grant	1,455.00
Gift - Fire Wardens	500.00
Kinsman Club	500.00
Town Transfer	12,400.00
Bank Interest	79.78
Total Receipts	14,934.78
DISBURSEMENTS	
Electricity	95.88
Telephone	155.54
Building/Fitting Up	449.36
Adm. Exp.	150.04
Misc.	115.58
Maint./Supplies	695.25
Gas/Oil	63.50
Equipment	6,278.99
Total Disbursements	8,004.14
Ending Balance - December 31, 1990	$ 6,930.64

*Excludes Disbursements by Town Treasurer

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

During calendar year 1990, the State of New Hampshire experienced an average number of wildfires. The three leading causes of these wildfires were fires kindled without a fire permit from the Forest Fire Warden, permit fires that escaped control and rekindled fires. All of these fires are preventable, but ONLY with your help.

Please help your town and state forest fire officials with forest fire prevention. New Hampshire State Law (RSA 224:27 II) requires that, "No person, firm or corporation shall kindle or cause to be kindled any fire or burn or cause to be burned any material in the open, except when the ground is covered with snow, without first obtaining a written fire permit from the Forest Fire Warden of the town where the burning is to be done."

Violations of RSA 224:27 II and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to $1,000 and/or a year in jail and you are also liable for paying all fire suppression costs.

The State of New Hampshire, Division of Forests and Lands assisted many towns in wildland fire suppression during 1990, including a 262 acre fire in Moultonboro and several fires in Hooksett.

In 1990, the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands trained 844 local Wardens and Deputy Wardens in the Incident Command System (ICS), an incident management system for all types of emergencies. In 1991, Wardens will be trained in the use of Class A foam in wildfire suppression.

If you have any questions regarding New Hampshire forest fire laws, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden, State Forest Ranger, or the Division of Forests and Lands at 271-2217.

FOREST FIRE STATISTICS - 1990

Number of Fires Statewide	489
Acres Burned Statewide	473

DISTRICT

Number of Fires	10
Acres Burned	2.6

TOWN - EASTON

Number of Fires	0
Acres Burned	0

JOHN Q. RICHARD
Forest Ranger

EDWARD CUTTER
Forest Fire Warden

Deputy Wardens

Walter Woods
John (Bill) Kenney
Lynn Tomasetti
Jon Place

Edward Cutter and Walter Woods can issue burning permits.

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

During 1990, permits were issued for 2 houses, 4 garages, 4 sheds, 1 barn and 4 additions/alterations.

Joseph Pimental
Building Inspector

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

The usual maintenance on all of the roads in Easton has been done this past year.

Some of the fill from the excavation at the new fire station was hauled and put on the road from the Paine estate to the Craven driveway in order to widen some rather narrow sections on that road.

The Paine, Gibson and Ruskin roads were re-oiled in August and I hope that some of the remaining roads can be done this summer.

Respectfully,

Robert P. Peckett, III

LIBRARY TRUSTEES' REPORT

		Bank	On Hand
Cash Balance - January 1, 1990		$ 78.92	$1.15
RECEIPTS			
Receipts during the year:			
Town of Easton	$400.00		
Interest on Memorial Fund	137.86		
Petty Cash	1.15		
TOTAL RECEIPTS		$539.01	0.00
EXPENDITURES			
Librarian's Salary	$225.00		
Books Purchased	224.81		
New Checks for Check Book	9.18		
Ads in Courier for new Librarian	11.90		
Transfer to Checking Account			1.15
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		$470.89	1.15
Cash Balance, December 31, 1990		$147.04	$0.00

Balance, December 31, 1990:

The Sadie N. Glover and Helen J. Young Memorial Funds were combined with the Dadja Merwin Fund to become the Easton Public Library Memorial Fund.

Principal in Funds	$667.08
Interest to 2/9/90	48.79
Bank Credits	21.99
Balance	737.86
Interest Withdrawn per Fund Stipulation	137.86
Balance (plus accrued interest)	$600.00

Virginia Leighton, who has served twenty-seven years as Easton's Librarian, retired at the end of the year. We appreciate her many years of faithful service and we will miss her.

We welcome Cutler Fall as Easton's new Librarian. Dr. Fall has retired to Easton from a professional career in music with experience both in teaching and in Library activities. He will be anxious to meet and work with all who are interested in promoting Easton's Library.

We will continue to appreciate personal donations to the Library to supplement books purchased.

Margaret Whitcomb
Eunice Woods
Carolyn Chase

Library Trustees

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Media Van made eleven trips to Easton in 1990. We borrowed 343 books, 3 tapes, 2 videos and 1 movie.

There were ten hardcover books and eleven paperbacks donated to the Library. Thanks to all the donors.

Eighteen new books were bought.

Number of visitors	73
Number of readers	17

Books Loaned:

Adult fiction	154
Adult non-fiction	89
Juvenile and magazines	19
Total circulation	262

As I have resigned there is now a new Librarian. Dr. Cutler Fall is taking the position. At present the hours remain the same: 2 to 4 PM the first and third Wednesday of the month.

Thanking the Townspeople for their patronage and for the privilege of serving you.

Sincerely,
Virginia Leighton
Librarian

RECREATION PROGRAM

Summer Recreation Program

Over 90 children registered and enjoyed 7 weeks of activities in the Franconia, Sugar Hill, Easton Recreation Program under the supervision of Wendy Mitton, with Jean Serino giving Red Cross Swimming Lessons.

The program was structured differently this year and the parents and the committee felt it was very successful. We were able to rent the Lodge at Cannon Mountain for 8 weeks which provided a home base for all activities. This location offered us a variety of aadvantages; close proximity to numerous hiking trails and Echo Lake, a large indoor area for rainy day activities and a large outdoor area for sports and games.

Our thanks to Franconia Services for providing transportation and to the parents who helped in many ways.

Summer Baseball Program

Under the volunteer coaching of a dedicated group of parents, the summer baseball league fielded five teams. Gary Harwood initiated a short program for kindergarten children. Kevin O'Brien, Dave Brown, Peter Mogren, Coleen Foley, and Chris Collman coached three Farm League Teams. Greg Connors returned as Little League Coach, and Hal Tuttle as Soft Ball Coach. This is a very active program that coordinates with the Bethlehem and Lisbon Leagues. The 1991 program will field four farm leagues, 1 softball league and 2 little league teams.

Winter Recreation Program

The winter portion of the Tri-Town Recreation budget takes care of the Franconia town rink for all skaters. Elementary school age children from the Tri-Town area can participate with the Flyers Youth Hockey Program and recreational figure skating lessons. The rink stayed open, weather permitting, every afternoon, weekends, and both Christmas and February vacations. Special thanks to the hockey and figure skating volunteers who gave their time for our children's enrichment.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

In the last year, the Planning Board reviewed and approved two subdivisions, and discussed with two other landowners potential subdivisions. One subdivision created a lot for an existing home and a lot for a new home; the other subdivision was actually a combining of three previously subdivided lots, and re-splitting into two, larger lots. The Board did preliminary reviews of possible subdivision of property on private or town roads which are narrow and inadequate in terms of today's standards; one of these remains before the Planning Board and involves issues of private, town and state road improvements and maintenance.

The mail-out survey to Town property owners was a great success. Of the 337 surveys sent, 195 or 58 percent were returned. The Board wanted specific comments and ideas, and with the open-ended nature of the questions, we certainly received a lot! The Board has put the results to use in discussions on lot sizes, commercial uses, and housing.

The Capital Improvements Program was completed last winter (1990) and the Planning Board approved the document. High priority projects such as the already-planned Fire Station, and repairs to the Town Hall water and heating systems were undertaken. In light of the changes in the regional economy, the Planning Board felt that the Advisory Committee's conservative assumptions of future revenues were wise.

The Board met with the Conservation Commission to learn about the natural resources inventory the Commission has initiated and to stay abreast of the Land Trust application. Both the Conservation Commisssion and Planning Board participated in a site visit of the timber cuts on the National Forest. Board members attended the annual Municipal Law Lecture Series and North Country Council-sponsored seminars, covering topics such as roads, performance bonds, and excavation.

NORTH COUNTRY COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT

North Country Council is the non-profit regional planning commission serving 51 towns in northern New Hampshire. The Council's primary mission is to meet the planning and development needs of its member towns. Specific assistance presently available from the North Country Council includes municipal planning, economic development, community development, solid waste, transportation, water management, GIS mapping and resource management. When requested, the Council provides professional guidance and assistance to Boards of Selectmen, Planning Boards, Zoning Boards of Adjustment, Conservation Commissions and Solid Waste Districts in member communities.

Assistance provided to the Town of Easton in 1990 included:

* Working with the Upper Grafton Lancaster Area Solid Waste District to permit the proposed Mount Eustis Landfill;

* Assisting with the preparation of the final Capital Improvements Program;

* Initiating a proposal to conduct a 1991 Regional Household Hazardous Waste Collection.

In 1990, the Council also provided a variety of services on a regional level. For example, workshops were held informing local officials of excavation site requirements, innovative zoning, shoreline protection, rivers management and cultural resources. The Council worked closely with economic development committees throughout the region. The Council's very active Transportation Committee focused on local and regional highway, air and rail issues. NCC's Solid Waste Coordinator continued to advocate regional solid waste management while working with five area solid waste districts.

In the ensuing year North Country Council's work program emphasizes community and economic development at the subregional and local level, while continuing the existing focus in solid waste and transportation. Under the leadership of our newly hired Executive Director, Preston S. Gilbert, NCC is fully committed to providing timely service to its member towns.

UPPER GRAFTON LANCASTER AREA SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

1990 Town Report

The Upper Grafton Lancaster Area Solid Waste District (UGLA) was very busy and productive during 1990 and the District continued to receive administrative assistance from North Country Council. The District's primary objective during 1990 was to develop the permits and design for the proposed Mount Eustis Landfill. UGLA's consultant completed and submitted most of the permits required for approval of the Mount Eustis Landfill. The NH Department of Environmental Services should have an indication of the completeness of the information submitted prior to Town Meeting. In addition, the consultant completed the facility design.

The District committee evaluated options for financing the landfill construction. After careful consideration, the committee determined that creation of a separate municipal corporation with bonding authority was deemed to be premature at this time. One option discussed was for the Town of Littleton to bond for construction of the landfill and contract for its use with the other District communities.

During 1990 the District monitored legislative and regulatory developments in Concord. The District submitted testimony and organized legislative support on the NH Department of Environmental Services proposed solid waste rule amendments. The outcome of that activity has not yet been finalized, but thus far it appears that the District's efforts were successful.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

Currently, the active members of the Conservation Committee include Brenda Shannon, Jim Collier, Rusty White, and Mike Kenney. We would surely welcome new members.

In 1990, the Land Conservation Investment Program was a primary focus of the commission. This program was initiated by the Trust of NH Lands to encourage landowners to work with their communities to protect large parcels of land from development. The land being considered is located on the east and west sides of Route 116 near the Franconia Town Line. One parcel is owned by the Kenney family and the other by the White family. The total acreage is approximately 330 acres.

Work was begun on a natural resource inventory of the town which will take into consideration wildlife habitats, wetlands, agricultural land, recreational areas, scenic views, stonewalls, etc. The inventory will prove to be a valuable tool in land planning.

For Earth Day 1990, the Conservation Commission sponsored an environmental awareness day at the Tri-Town Transfer Station. Educational materials on all aspects of conservation were available.

Late in the year we organized a well-attended field trip to a logging site in the National Forest. We were accompanied by a Forest Service official who is responsible for managing the logging that is being done by a private concern. Questions were answered about clearcutting, timber management and logging practices.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Shannon
Chairperson
Conservation Commission

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Balance - January 1, 1990	$ 0.00
Receipts from Town	$ 425.00
Interest	.87
Total Reciepts	$ 425.87
Expenses of Committee	$ 298.67
Balance on Hand - December 31, 1990	$ 127.20

Savings Account - Peoples Bank	
Balance on Hand - January 1, 1990	$ 210.69
Interest Earned	11.83
Balance on Hand - December 31, 1990	$ 222.52

Respectfully submitted,
James H. Collier, Treas.

KINSMAN VALLEY CLUB

A calendar for the Kinsman Valley Club of events to take place during 1991.

Club Meetings ..... first Tuesday of each month
November to April
Noon at the Town Hall, bring lunch, beverage and dessert served
May to October
7:30 PM. Membership will be notified regarding place.

Town Election Day - 3:00 to 6:00 PM ..... Tuesday, March 12
Town Meeting - 7:30 PM ..... Tuesday, March 12

Summer Fair ..... Saturday, August 3

Fire Wardens Supper ..... Thursday, October 24

Holiday Party ..... Saturday, December 14

Membership in the Kinsman Valley Club is open to all women residents of Easton. We welcome new members. For further information call 823-5309 or 823-7175

BIRTHS REGISTERED
IN THE TOWN OF EASTON, NH
for the Year Ending December 31, 1990

DATE & PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME OF CHILD	NAME & SURNAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
June 14, 1990 Greenwich, CT	James S. Mulholland IV	James S. Mulholland III	Susan Kempton
Sept. 2, 1990 Littleton, NH	William Richard Matthews	David Matthews	Wendy Harrington
Sept. 25, 1990 Boston, MA	Anne Marjorie McKenzie	Joel McKenzie	Constance Dyer

DEATHS REGISTERED
IN THE TOWN OF EASTON, NH
for the Year Ending December 31, 1990

DATE & PLACE OF DEATH	NAME & SURNAME OF DECEASED	NAME & SURNAME OF FATHER	NAME & SURNAME OF MOTHER
May 7, 1990 Littleton, NH	John E. Sykes	John Sykes	Mary McElroy
June 2, 1990 Littleton, NH	Edward A. Hutton	Parker Hutton	Emma Kettlehodt

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER

823-8123

POLICE - FIRE

MEDICAL EMERGENCY

POLICE OFFICER

Ed Cutter 823-8548

FIRE SUPERINTENDENT

Lynn Tomasetti 823-5607

FIRE WARDEN

Ed Cutter 823-8548

TOWN CLERK'S HOURS

Tuesday Morning	Thursday Afternoon
10 AM - 12 Noon	4 PM - 6 PM

Dogs must be Licensed by May 1, 1991

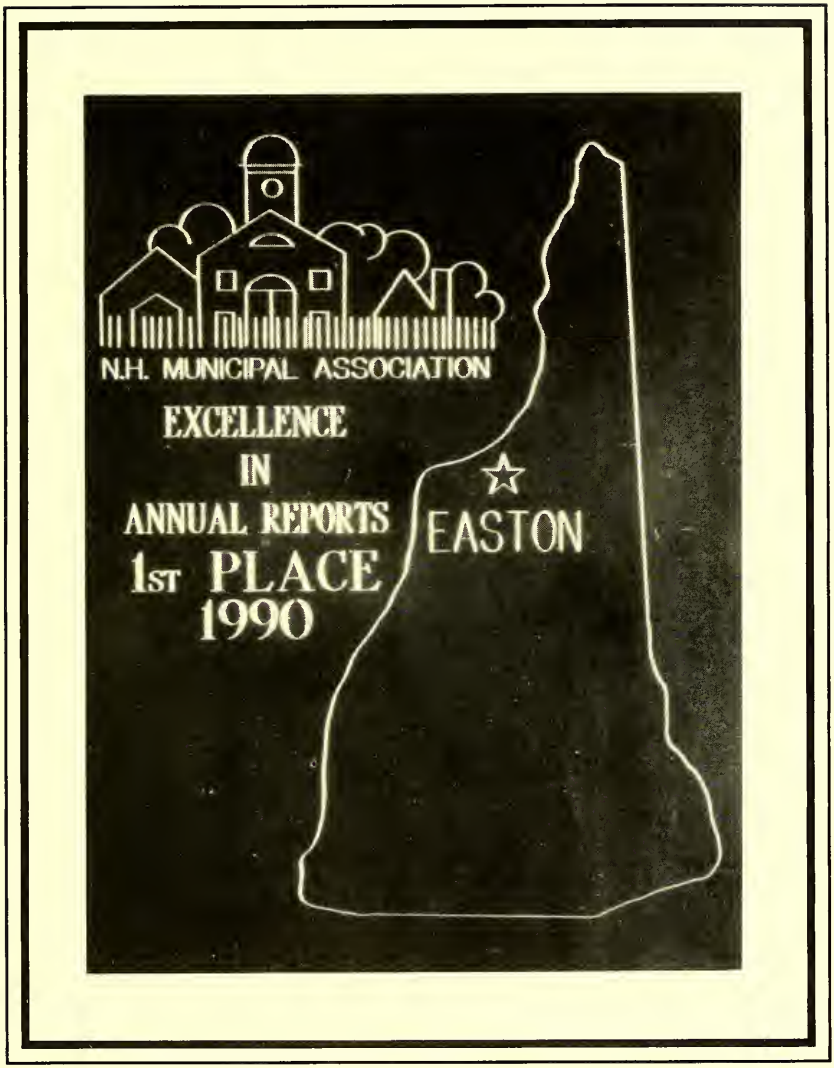
Up to date

DOG LICENSE & RABIES CERTIFICATE NUMBER

is required in Easton to License a dog.

A $15.00 Forfeit if not licensed by June 1st.

TOWN REPORT AWARD



Easton placed first in the award of excellence contest sponsored by the New Hampshire Municipal Association. This is the second time in four years that Easton has placed first in its population range.

Care in preparation is rated with emphasis on creativity, accounting procedures, and evidence of long range planning for the future.

Congratulations to all who participated in preparing the 1989 annual Town report.

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